

Sec. 1. UTILITY DISCONNECTION; ~~LANDLORD NOTIFICATION~~

For the purpose of promoting safety, the protection of property, and providing assistance to tenants, the Public Utility Commission shall revise its applicable rules to ensure that

1. a utility provides notice of a utility service disconnection, after disconnection occurs, to the residential or nonresidential property owner even if the tenant is the ratepayer.
2. to allow a utility to disconnect service remotely

As used in this section, “utility service” means gas, electric, water, and sewer service. The notice requirement developed by the Public Utility Commission pursuant to this section also shall apply to disconnections of water and sewer service provided by a water or sewer system owned by a municipality, fire district, or private company subject to the uniform water and sewer disconnection requirements in 24 V.S.A. chapter 129.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.